

KENTUCKY STATE PARKS

Constitution Square State Historic Site



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Constitution Square was the site of a series of important events in Kentucky's history: the 10 constitutional conventions that led to Kentucky's statehood. Frontier statesmen who lived in what was then the Kentucky County of Virginia struggled more than eight years for independence. Finally, on June 1, 1792, Kentucky became the 15th state in the Union and Isaac Shelby, a Revolutionary War hero and convention delegate, was named the first governor of the new Commonwealth.

The Governor's Circle: A bronze statue depicting the state seal is the centerpiece in a circle of plaques dedicated to each Kentucky governor.

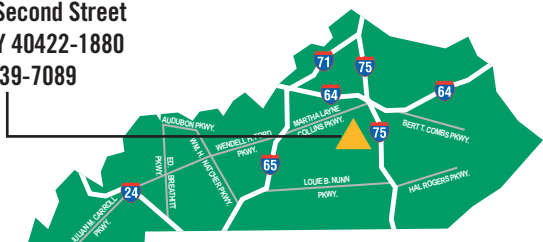
The Square: Consists of several historic replicas and original structures depicting life in the late 1700's and early 1800's: Court-house • Jail • Meetinghouse • Post Office • Fisher's Row • Watts-Bell House • Schoolhouse • Grayson's Tavern • Alban Goldsmith House

Picnicking: Picnic tables are located on the park grounds.

Tours: No admission charged for self-guided tours. Guided tours are available for a fee and by appointment only. Open year-round.

Isaac Shelby Cemetery State Historic Site: Isaac Shelby (1750-1826), Kentucky's first and fifth governor, achieved fame for his service in the Revolutionary War and the War of 1812, and he remained active in national political affairs until his death. He is buried at his estate, "Traveller's Rest." The cemetery is on Knob Lick Pike, 5.5 miles south of Danville on US 127.

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Constitution Square is located in Danville, 35 miles southwest of Lexington: Take US 27 south to KY 34 west. The park is 80 miles southeast of Louisville: Take I-64 east to US 127 south.